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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION TRANSMITTAL (RCE)

Subsection(b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plan application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/931,449	RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER FEB 10 2004 OFFICIAL
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Atty Docket Number	5868-03401	
Title	MICROSPHERE BASED OLIGONUCLEOTIDE LIGATION ASSAYS, KITS, AND METHODS OF USE, INCLUDING HIGH-THROUGHPUT GENOTYPING	

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000). 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practices.

- Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
 - ☒ Previously submitted
 - ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on November 24, 2003.
 - ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
 - ☐ Other _____.
 - ☐ Enclosed
 - ☐ Amendment/Reply
 - ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - ☐ Other _____.
- Miscellaneous
 - ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
 - ☐ Other _____.
- Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed)
 - ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 03-2769/5868-03401.
 - ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
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